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Dear Sir:

Please add the following new claims before the examination on the merits:

95. (NEW) The method of claim 1 wherein the DNA-RNA hybrids are comprised of at least one nucleotide analog.

96. (NEW) The method of claim 95 wherein the nucleotide analog is selected from the group consisting of inosine, xanthine, hypoxanthine, labeled nucleotide, 7-deaza-dNTP, deoxyuracil, methylthio-linked nucleotide, phosphothio-linked nucleotide, morpholino nucleotide, hexose-containing nucleotide, and peptide nucleic acid (PNA), and viral genome nucleic acid.

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